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Siam and Laos.

There have been many encouraging indications of progress in Siam during the past few years. Connection between Bangkok and the great centres of civilization was made by wire in July, 1883, and in the month following a local post-office was established in the royal city. The government school, under the care of Rev. S. G. McFarland, which was founded January 1, 1879, is still continued; and during the year past the ground has been examined between Maulmain and Chieng Mai by competent surveyors, with a view of considering the feasibility of laying a railway through that jungle. April of 1884 witnessed the grand cremation ceremonies of the ex-regent at Bangkok. A few months later the death of Princess Chow Boon occurred, followed very soon by that of her sister, the queen of the Laos. Both of these women had been stanch friends of the missionaries many years, and they were by far the most intelligent and progressive native women in Laos, wielding no small influence at the seat of government. Their loss will long be deeply felt by our missionaries.

At Bangkok and Petchaburi slight changes have occurred in the mission forces. One gentleman has been added to their number in Bangkok, and two ladies have come home. One lady has returned to the United States of America from Petchaburi, and her place has been supplied by a newly-appointed lady missionary.

Chieng Mai and Bangkok both need additional lady workers, though Miss Westervelt has been appointed to the former station.

The girls' school at Bangkok has received a number of new pupils during the past year, and one "outside" or day-school has been organized by Miss Olmstead, which numbered four at its inception, and increased to twenty-five before the close of the year. There are seven schools under the supervision of Mrs. MacLaren at Petchaburi, if we are rightly informed. Miss Nielson has been appointed as her assistant, instead of remaining at the upper station in Bangkok with Miss Olmstead.

Thirteen Christian marriages have been solemnized in Laos during the past year. This is very encouraging, as Christian homes are the hope of that country. New stations have been opened, and a number of additions have been made to the church. Petchaburi has also had numerous accessions. We have not yet heard from the churches in Bangkok, but trust that the faithful labors of our workers there have borne some rich fruitage also. We have been pleased to hear that the outlook of King's School is more hopeful than it has been for several years.

While Japan has taken such gigantic strides in the march of "progress," Siam still "makes haste slowly." Buddhism prevails in its old stronghold, though the present king seems inclined to build handsome palaces, and buildings that can be utilized for business purposes, rather than the gorgeous temples which have arisen during the reigns of former incumbents of the Siamese throne. The temple at Bang Pe In, which his majesty erected a few years since, is finished in Gothic style, and furnished with pews after the model of a Christian church.

Temples are of four kinds—first, those built by order of the king, called Wat Lovang; second, those built by princes, called Wat Chow; third, those built by noblemen, called Wat Koon Nang; and lastly, those built by the common people, called Wat Ratsadawn. The latter are built by contributions and subscriptions from the people. Dr. Bradley gives a very minute and interesting description of how this was accomplished during his life-time, and as the manner has not been changed I will quote from a Bangkok calendar which he published in 1863:

"As a preparatory step to this work, sometimes a crier is sent forth, proclaiming that a temple is about to be built in a certain district by a company of the friends of Buddha, and that they hereby send their invitation unto all who place their confidence in the Buddhist religion, saying, 'Come and unite with us in this good work. Come, ye rich! Come, ye poor! Come all, and contribute according to that ye have!' Sometimes a written circular is sent forth, the spirit of which is, 'This circular brings to

you, O men and women, believers in Buddha, a most excellent righteousness. Be it known unto you that we, whose names are annexed, have determined to build a temple unto Buddha, and do hereby give you a cordial invitation to unite with us in this work of merit, according to the amount of your confidence and faith in it. All ye who are thus disposed will please unite with us on —— day and —— place.'

"When the people have thus been notified they assemble according to appointment, some of them bringing money, others articles which can be converted into money or turned to some account in the contemplated work, and make a free-will offering of them to be appropriated as a common fund for the erection of the temple. They then appoint a body of trustees to take charge of the fund contributed, and to take the other necessary steps for proceeding in the work. At this stage of the business the site selected for the temple must be formally requested of the king, who alone has authority to devote any plat of ground irreversibly to the purposes of a Buddhist temple. Such consent being obtained, the committee proceed first to the erection of the *bote*, which is to be the mother building, as it were, to all the other buildings of the future temple. After the *bote* and one idol or more has been nearly finished the builders erect three pagodas. These are designed to be the repositories of some of the bones, utensils or personal apparel of Buddha or his chief disciples. These structures are made of masonry, covered externally with lime and sand plastering. They are circular, hexagonal or octagonal at the base, and taper up by regular gradations to a slender spire, from twenty to one hundred and fifty feet in height. All temples are dedicated to the priesthood. It is a remarkable fact that Buddhism gives its devotees no god to whom temples can be consecrated."

In one of the manuscripts from which Dr. Bradley made his "extracts" this caution is found: "Let it not be thought that we consider these images of Buddha as being indeed and in all verity the body of Buddha. We hold no such views. We look upon them as only images or likenesses of his person, made for the purpose of keeping his followers mindful of him, and consequently to gladden and delight their hearts by thoughts of the infinitely knowing one."

Notwithstanding this "caution," the masses of the people show, by the way they approach these images, a cringing that would be uncalled for if they believed in this "caution." Buddhism has been termed by one the "religion of despair," and it seems a fitting definition. God grant that the dawn of deliverance for these benighted people may soon brighten into the full blaze of the day, illumined by the Sun of righteousness!

MARY E. HARTWELL.

REJOICING AT CHIENG MAI.

MRS. DR. S. C. PEOPLES.

THERE was much joy in this mission one month ago, upon the arrival of Dr. Cheek. Our letters have been so delayed that we were in ignorance of much that was of vital importance to us. We did not know that the success of the hospital was assured; but when Dr. Cheek said he had nearly seven thousand dollars with him and the rest was guaranteed, we felt like cheering. It seems so wonderful that this our mission's greatest need has been met so suddenly. We all feel that God has been very good to Chieng Mai.

In a special meeting, called to hear Dr. Cheek's report, he explained how the money had been raised, and paid such high tribute to the Christian women of America that the ladies present felt justly proud of our country-women. We were shown the plans for the building, drawn by an American architect,* which were fully discussed, and the most suitable location decided upon. The mission expressed their hearty thanks and gratification at the marked success of Dr. Cheek's work while in America, not the least of which was the bringing back of a saw-mill.

When one realizes, with painful impatience, that it requires two men one whole day to saw a board and another day to plane it, you will not wonder that we appreciate that mill, since it is said to saw five thousand feet of hard timber per day. The king has taken a deep interest in it, and has given the ground just west of his summer palace as the site. There is so much building material needed that the mill will be kept busy as soon as it is in running order.

We all concede that the girls' school building must be pushed forward first. School is being held upon the veranda, and these cold days the little ones suffer. When the hot weather comes it will be nearly as trying. These disadvantages are at the expense of both teacher and pupils, and some of the little ones have had hard battles with fever.

There was a fire in the city a few mornings after Dr. C.'s arrival, and several people were injured. One woman and her little daughter were badly burned. My husband and Dr. Cheek went in immediately and relieved their extreme suffering; but such patients need such tender care, and it will be a glad day when there is a place for them.

The present old bamboo hospital has a history that will not soon be forgotten by some of us. Its five cramped rooms have held so many sad pictures, the dead being buried in a few hours to make room for a waiting sufferer. The little daughter of one of our Christians was brought in from the country, where she was at-

* John McArthur, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.

tacked with the worst type of malarial fever, being insensible from the first. They carried her past my window upon a rude stretcher, and I saw her for a few moments soon after—such a pretty little one, about five or six years old. She lay upon the heap of rags brought with her, burning in such a fever I could not count the little fluttering pulse. Her good old father sat at her head, constantly bathing it, and looking into my face for a ray of hope. I know what my husband thinks of such cases, and felt there was little or no hope; but everything was done that could be done, and our hearts became much attached to her through our ministrations. One morning I went in and found she was going. The fever fires were dying, and leaving the little form very white and chill. As we knelt upon the floor around her I prayed that her sweet spirit might soon join the band of little ones that always behold their Father's face, and I believe it did. I closed her eyes, and went to the house for water and towels. When I returned I saw her poor weeping father had the little form out on the veranda bathing it. It was done tenderly and delicately, but, oh, how the poverty of the surroundings and utter lack of appliances struck me in the presence of death as it never had done before! I hastened to assist him, and together we wept and worked. I had brought a little white jacket to put on her, and this seemed to comfort him, and he exclaimed, "The Maalung is so good to my little girl!" When the people had assembled upon the veranda for the funeral, it seemed sad to see the poor father bearing the coffin upon his shoulder, but he wished to do everything himself. When Dr. McGilvary gave out the hymn I saw his face brighten, and he joined with all his heart—

> "Around the throne of God in heaven
> Ten thousand children stand."

I wished every person who does not believe in missions could have seen his face. "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted."

This is the week of prayer, and we have been looking forward to it with much hope of increased interest among the people. We are having English and native services every day, and it seems very good to be here. God's Holy Spirit is evidently among us, and surely the blessing will come.

The king has been very gracious to us, and New Year's day made us a present of some land that we very much needed.

THE extremely modest ideas of the Siamese in regard to architecture are shown by the fact that Miss Cort, of Petchaburi, had a school-room, 14 x 22 feet, built at an expense of but $11.82.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS.

A missionary recently appointed to Chieng Mai gives his impressions of the needs of the work at Bangkok and Petchaburi in a home letter, from which we have been permitted to copy the following:

PERHAPS the two things with which I have been most strongly impressed since my arrival in Siam are the inadequacy of the present missionary force and the apparent decline in the hold of Buddhism upon this people. As to the first matter there is no doubt. It is evident to every observer. Bangkok, for instance, is a city of more than half a million, perhaps nearly as large as Philadelphia. Here our church has two ordained missionaries, Dr. McDonald and Mr. Van Dyke. There are also three young lady teachers, Misses Olmstead, Hartwell and McDonald, and one unordained helper. The Baptist Church has two ordained missionaries, Dr. Dean and Mr. Eaton. This is the whole force engaged in missionary work in Bangkok, and nearly half that in all Siam.

Not only are the missionaries in Bangkok so few in number, but they labor under great disadvantages. The influence of the foreign community, merchants, sailors, etc., is a hindrance rather than a help to the mission work. Communication in Bangkok is almost wholly, and as far as our missionaries are concerned altogether, by means of boats, and this fact, on account of the extent of the city, and the strength of the tides which ebb and flow through the river and all the canals, is in itself a great obstacle to the accomplishment of work.

We have two mission compounds in Bangkok, an upper where the girls' school under the charge of Misses Hartwell and Olmstead, and a lower where Mr. McDonald and Mr. Van Dyke live, and where the chapel, the boys' school and the printing office are situated. Both stations are on the opposite side of the river from the palace, the markets and the principal places of business, the most suitable part of the city for street preaching. The distance between the two compounds is six or seven miles, and it can rarely be traversed in boats in less than two hours. This difficulty of communication meets the missionaries at every point. If Dr. McDonald expects a box by an incoming steamer, he must literally devote a whole morning to the matter. If he attends prayer-meeting at Dr Dean's at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon, he cannot hope to accomplish anything else of importance, except perhaps a call at the post-office. If he is invited out for the evening he must be gone from home perhaps from seven o'clock till after midnight, and spend more than half the interval in his boat. If Mr. Van Dyke wishes to visit his preaching place in one of the markets, he must devote most of the day to it. So you see how sorely another missionary family is needed, one that could take up its residence in

the heart of the city, on the only considerable road it contains, where a multitude is always passing by.

At Petchaburi, the other station of our church in lower Siam, there are not the same disadvantages. There is no foreign community except that formed by the missionaries themselves. You can go about on *terra firma*, and even at some seasons of the year use a wagon. But the laborers are still fewer—one ordained missionary, Mr. Dunlap, one physician, Dr. Sturge, and one lady teacher, Mrs. McLaren. Mr. Dunlap has the oversight of a church of some sixty members. These and the inquirers connected with them are drawn not only from Petchaburi, but from some fifteen villages at various distances, some of which can be visited only by a circuitous boat-journey. It is easy to see how large a portion of Mr. D.'s time and strength the pastoral care of such a flock must require. But beside this he is training three students for the ministry, translating one or two books for their use, carries on a regular series of preaching visits to the many temples in the neighborhood, and is acting treasurer of the mission.

Dr. Sturge opened a hospital and dispensary about a year ago. This and his medical practice have done much to conciliate favor for the mission cause, and nine patients from the hospital have been added to the church. He is a thoroughly missionary physician, caring more for men's souls than for their bodies. With every prescription he dispenses he gives a slip of paper stating how and when the medicine is to be used, and bordered by an appropriate text of Scripture. As I stood on the veranda of the hospital one morning during our visit to Petchaburi, a mother came with her little girl, who was suffering from a burn or some similar hurt. When I saw Dr. Sturge take the little thing by the hand, pat her cheek, and look at her so kindly that it dispelled all her timidity and made her look up into his face with a smile, I could not but think of the great Physican. Truly it may be said of Petchaburi "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few."

MISSIONARY LADIES IN SIAM AND LAOS.

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* In this country.

WOODSTOCK SCHOOL.

We occasionally see this school referred to as "for the children of missionaries." While it was the original aim of this institution to provide a safe, healthful school for the daughters of our missionaries, where they would not have to endure the pain of years of separation from their parents, its scope has widened until it now embraces not only European and other English-speaking children, but many Eurasians of higher class. Perhaps we cannot give a better idea of its high spiritual tone and far-reaching missionary influence than by the following extracts from a letter of Mrs. Scott, its efficient principal:

You would no doubt like to know what we are doing to make our work a suitable one for our Church to support. In the first place, it is proclaimed in our prospectus, and well known, that the object of the school is to impart a Christian education. We take the schools of the most earnest Christian character at home as our models. Miss Williamson and myself have our *Alma Mater*, Mt. Holyoke Seminary—mine in the days of Miss Lyon—in our minds. We feel that the Christian side of our work is of the first importance. In addition to our morning and evening prayers, which we try to make as attractive and instructive as possible, we take the Bible in our course among our other daily lessons. We have once a week an evening lecture from some clergyman who may chance to be staying in Landour. Mr. J. Newton favors us this year, and greatly edified we are by his earnest, plain spiritual talks. We have a regularly-organized Sabbath-school in the house, and use the Westminster lesson leaves. Our church is two miles away. Half of our children attend in the morning and half in the evening, the part remaining at home being under the care of a teacher, and spending their time in reading, resting and committing to memory hymns and portions of Scripture.

The pupils of the school are divided into three sections, each section being under the care of our three principal English teachers. After family prayers on Sunday evening, those who choose go to their respective section rooms with their teachers, and hold a prayer-meeting, which is generally conducted by the girls themselves, as they have been previously appointed by their teachers. These meetings are well attended, and are, we think, a great help in the spiritual interests of the school. Some of the girls are communicants, and some are asking for admission to the church.

We do all in our power to arouse an interest in missionary work by example as well as precept. We have a class for servants and natives on Sundays. When we can we get a missionary from outside to take charge of it. When there is no such missionary I take it myself. Miss Fullerton has a class for our women servants in the afternoon, and under her instruction a good advance has been

made in the knowledge of divine things. They often give her a good abstract of what they have heard in the previous service for all the servants. These labors, we trust, are not in vain. In three instances we hope that a saving knowledge of Christ has been gained. Not only do we hope to do good to our servants, but we wish to show our girls how work can be done by women in their own homes, and there have been instances of our girls following our example.

We have two missionary societies which meet once a month, and there is a great deal of interest in these meetings. We often have missionaries from the various denominations to address us. When we have no one from outside we are not at a loss to arrange for exercises which interest us. Until this year we have had one stated object of support—a girl in the Dehra school—devoting any surplus we might have to other objects which interest us. This year we have taken up an additional work, to which we are engaged to contribute one hundred rupees yearly—a school for widows in Hoshiarpore. We chose this because one of our pupils, Mona Chatterjee, is engaged in it. We think it will add much to the interest of our old pupils. Many of our pupils who have left, some of whom are married, keep up their contributions and receive letters from us.

The society of younger girls which was organized last March has already raised fifteen rupees. They have not yet decided upon the object to which they will devote their attention and interest.

One other of our exercises I will mention, as we find it very helpful—a prayer-meeting for teachers on Sunday morning. Our faith has been greatly strengthened by what we can but consider marked answers to prayer. Here we talk over the spiritual interests of the school, mention whatever we may observe among the girls, and often pray for them by name. Among our stated subjects is the home-land, for love to our country and our Church is not lessened by distance.

Had I time, I would like to tell you how much we have to encourage us in the character of the pupils who have left us. The coming years, we feel confident, will show many an earnest woman whom we have trained. I do not think we shall be disappointed in our hope and expectation of raising up laborers for direct work among the heathen. Several have already been engaged in this work. Is not this outcome worth a good deal of wear and tear? I have so much faith and hope in the work at Woodstock that I fear I grow tedious when I once enter upon the subject.

LIVE as with God; and whatever be your calling, pray for the gift that will perfectly qualify you in it.—*Horace Bushnell.*

THE WOMEN OF MEXICO.

MRS. ROLLO OGDEN.

I REMEMBER very well a picture that I have seen, called "The Beautiful Creole." It was only an engraving, but memory and fancy so easily supply the needed coloring that I seem to see the young beauty represented in all the vividness of life. She stands at a window looking out. Her dark hair falls over her forehead in graceful curls, and is drawn back into a massive roll behind. At the side, in beautiful contrast with the rich, dark brown of her hair, hangs a perfect creamy white rose, and another one, the twin of this, resting in the square-cut collar of the dress, rests against a neck certainly one shade darker than the rose, yet fair enough.

Yes, she is beautiful, yet I think we should all miss something from her face that we are used to see in women's faces here. The dark lashes hang somewhat too heavily over those soft brown eyes. Even if they were lifted perhaps we should be sorry. The eyes might show a languor or even sadness quite unnatural in a girl of eighteen Her life is not what we would call a happy one, either in experience or outward surroundings. The room from whose window she is looking out is hardly a cheerful, homelike one. In the first place it is very large. The canvas ceiling, which resounds every night like a drum-head under the pattering feet of rats and mice, is full twenty feet above the rough tile floor, and from one gray-plastered wall to the other measures twenty-five feet. In this great, dim space a few chairs and tables are scattered about, and against the middle of one side wall stands the cane-seated sofa, the place of honor, to which each respected guest is conducted at his entrance, and where, protesting his unworthiness, he finally seats himself with his feet upon the almost sacred rug, perhaps the only piece of carpeting in the whole house. At night one or two lamps, or possibly only candles, form small circles of light in the gloomy room. Not enough to make the large black, brown and gray rats that creep out from the dark corners and dash across the middle of the room feel strange or out of place.

No wonder our beauty turns from this uninteresting prospect and stands at the window looking out. The narrow street is always thronged in the day-time, and since a respectable girl can go out very little she must see life from her window or not at all. Our friend does not look up at the exquisite blue of the sky, or at the swift swallows darting hither and thither about their nests under the eaves of the old church opposite. These things are too familiar and unvarying to claim the least thought. Her attention is languidly following the various figures in the crowded street below. They are mostly Indians carrying all sorts of burdens, occasionally

shouting to one another to make way. Here is a butcher leading his horse down the street as he brings his day's supply of meat to the shop. The horse has on his back a high wooden saddle, in the sides of which are great iron meat-hooks, and from them hang quarters of beef and halves of sheep and hogs, dangling almost to the ground, and rubbing against his steaming flanks at every step. This is the only sort of butcher's cart to be seen in Mexico. A man comes along now with an immense tin pan, really a tub, of lard on his head, shouting, "Lard, lard!" all down the street; another with a coop of live, cackling chickens strapped at his back; here a woman with a basket of ripe, dark-purple figs, and there a man crying, "Guavas to preserve!" But here is something much more interesting to our young lady. A country gentleman comes riding through the crowd, and looking up shakes his fingers and lifts his hat to her. That hat! The brim is seven inches wide, bordered with a heavy silver band, and from bottom to top of the crown is wound around and around a thick silver cord. She knows it never cost a cent less than thirty dollars, and her admiration is proportionate. The fine black horse curvets and dances down the road and out of sight, and what is there left to think about? Truly very little.

But let us not waste any pity on this favored girl. The woman below, carrying her heavy basket of figs through the hot street, looks up to the balcony with its flowers, and thinks that to stand there with a rose in her hair and look down on all the hot, jostling crowd would be almost like heaven itself. To me, she, and not the beauty at the window, is a type of the women of Mexico. The beauties are few and secluded, but the poor working-women are very, very many, and are to be seen at every turn. From their miserable mud houses, with little air and almost no light, very early in the morning they start out to sell some sort of fruit or vegetable in the markets, or perhaps they make and sell baskets. Pitifully few are the battered copper coins that a day's hard labor brings them, yet enough to buy the maize for that handful of tortillas which will keep soul and body together one day more. Wherever the mother goes her baby is carried with her, and often in the market-place little ones only a few weeks old are to be seen rolling helplessly on the ground, and in great danger of being stepped on, while their mothers are bargaining with some customer and trying to get a quarter of a cent more for a cocoanut or a handful of tomatoes.

Let us look at one of these market women to see how she is dressed. Her toilet is not intricate, and can be quickly described. Over her shoulders she wears nothing but a very dirty muslin chemise. Her neck and arms are bare, but no doubt she has a blue and white striped cotton scarf for full-dress occasions to cover her head

and neck and hang loosely over her arms. Her skirt was woven by her own hands. It is made of one straight piece of dark striped woollen stuff, very heavy, and, if it were only clean, not at all ugly. The color that predominates is a dark blue, almost black, and across this are stripes of red, yellow and green. The skirt is drawn closely around from the back, and all the extra fullness hangs down in a bunch in front.

Her abundant black hair is braided in two frowsy braids, with shreds of bright calico entangled in the ends and twisted into a fastening so that the two braids form a loop that hangs behind her back. This frowsy head is crowned with a man's broad-brimmed straw hat without any trimming. The red celluloid rings on her fingers are the only ornaments the poor woman can boast. Those round green patches on her temples you might think were meant to answer to the more civilized court-plaster beauty-spots; but no, they are only a sign that she has a headache, poor thing, and she thinks these pieces of leaves stuck on her forehead will cure it. She is very ignorant and superstitious. Her life wears on and wears out in dull monotony, with almost no variety but that of seeing the street sights at some festival or other, with no real comfort or happiness or love. One large girl who came in from the country to attend school in Mexico did not know what a kiss meant, and looked on in amazed curiosity to see the other children kiss the sweet American lady who was their teacher. Her own first attempt to imitate them was a ridiculous failure.

But this glance at the different classes of Mexican women would be woefully incomplete if no mention were to be made of the small but interesting class of bright, intelligent women and girls who have been and are in the good schools that the government provides, or, better still, in the mission schools. Of course there are degrees of natural ability here as everywhere. I am sorry to say that some in the mission schools even are positively stupid, but happily not all. Some of the bright faces and happy, pleasant voices of this class of girls I shall never forget. I wish I could make you see as I do the difference in expression that seemed to transform and breathe life into dull features after even a short time in school. The teachers who watch this change from day to day must feel something like Pygmalion's joy when he saw the beautiful statue he had carved warming into life, and at last rewarding him with a smile for all his toil and delicate painstaking care.

Mrs. Wherry, of Saharanpur, India, reports the opening of the theological school, mentioned in our last number, with twenty-one pupils and good prospects for the future. The following extract

from her letter shows how indispensable "woman's work" is in every department of missionary enterprise:

To-day Mrs. Ewing and I examined the wives with a view to forming classes for their improvement and advancement. Think of Theologues with wives unable to read! We have two of this kind; one poor thing is so blind that I am afraid she can never learn. We have divided the work; Mrs. Ewing is to teach New Testament Scripture, and I the Old Testament, on alternate days. Some of the women, four especially, read and write fluently, but as for arithmetic, geography and history, or anything else, they know very little. One, who has gone as far as vulgar fractions, thinks that she is quite learned! We have twelve women, and there are about eight children whom we intend having taught by one of these same women. Our aim is to better fit them for usefulness and for teachers to their heathen sisters. We want to give them a good clear knowledge of the Bible truths, and we ask your prayers for our help and guidance in this work. From the first of next week we will begin in good earnest.

HIS WORKS DO FOLLOW HIM.

BY REV. J. MILTON GREENE.

"He being dead yet speaketh" is written of Abel alone, but of him surely as a type of all good men. An instructive illustration of this is found in the case of Señor Ignacio Najera, of Texcal, in the state of Guerrero. He is the owner of a considerable ranch, and employs as farm hands some twenty men, who with their families constitute a population of a hundred souls. Don Ignacio is a man well-read, and wields great influence in all the region about. For this reason, although owing to the persistent and unscrupulous persecution of our native preachers by the government of the state, obedient to the priesthood, all the other congregations are without pastors, in Texcal the good work moves on under the direction of their pastor, Sr. Vicente Hurtado, simply because under God Don Ignacio is able to protect him and say to the priesthood, "Hands off! On my farm the pure gospel shall be preached and my employes shall enjoy the most perfect religious liberty." And so one hundred souls are living in the light of divine truth, while in all the state beside the iron hand of Romish oppression holds fast shut every door of entrance to blinded and perishing souls. In March of the present year the present fanatical governor gives place to one of the noblest Mexican statesmen, who will no doubt insure us perfect safety in reopening and extending our work.

But what is the history of Don Ignacio, now so conspicuous as a defender of the truth? His father in early days was a devoted and consistent Romanist, accustomed to attend faithfully upon all the services of the church, to frequent the confessional and to contribute to the revenues of the establishment. But in middle

life there fell into his hands a Bible, probably one of those sent out with our army in 1847. He received it hesitatingly, and began to read it at first from motives of pure curiosity. But being a thoughtful man, and never having found full satisfaction for his spirit in the ceremonies and teachings of Romanism, he was attracted from the first by the simple teachings of the Bible, his heart was touched, his spirit, hungering and thirsting for the bread and water of life, came in full sight of these, took them by faith, and the peace of God diffused itself through all his character and over all his life. At once he began to show diminished interest in the services of the Romish church, and soon ceased altogether his attendance, greatly to the distress of his family, who saw him day by day take down the precious volume, the only book in the house, and read it hours at a time. They saw him more and more quiet and thoughtful, and withal more and more lovely in his life, and could not explain it.

At length the old man was seized with a severe illness, and it was evident to all that he must soon die. His weeping family besought him to call the priest, make confession and receive absolution and extreme unction. But he very quietly and firmly answered to all their entreaties, "No, I have already confessed my sins to my heavenly Father, who for Jesus' sake has pardoned and accepted me." Then he called to him his only son, Ignacio, for a private interview, during which he said, "My son, I am about to die. I wish to place in your hands this volume, which for years has been my daily companion. It has revealed to me myself, my God and my Saviour. Take it, my son, and let it be your daily counsellor and companion, and may God bless you in its perusal."

Most faithfully did Ignacio fulfill the dying request of his father. On reading the book and becoming deeply interested in it, he sought out his priest and conferred with him on the subject, read the books loaned him by that individual, sustained discussions with him, and very soon found himself impelled to follow his father's example, abandon the Romish church and ally himself with the Protestant movement. And so for many years he has stood, stanch and immovable, aggressive and fearless, as a champion for the simple gospel of Jesus Christ.

How instructive is the sight of this good man, made an instrument of life and blessing to those hundred souls about him! And how suggestive as to the possible fruits which may result from the Christian fidelity of any humble soul who being dead may yet continue to speak with ever-extending influence until eternity alone can reveal how much has been done for Christ and for souls, as the result direct and indirect of loyalty to God and truth and conscience on the part of one humble believer.

SIDE LIGHTS ON MISSION WORK.

Recently the Buddhist priests of one of the largest temples in Kioto, Japan, bought 120 New Testaments and some commentaries for the purpose of studying them, declaring their purpose to embrace Christianity should they find it better than Buddhism.

The indications are that complete religious liberty will soon be proclaimed in Japan, as the mikado has abolished the rank of state priest, permitting all sects to choose their own spiritual head.

The slave trade disappears before the missionaries wherever they go in Africa, even though they make no direct effort to suppress it.

The first missionary meeting held on Murray Island, New Guinea, is reported by a missionary to the London Missionary Society. Large numbers gathered from the surrounding islands. It was a memorable day for the natives. The contributions brought in amounted to $220.

The English minister at the Congo Conference, Berlin, used all his influence towards securing the abolition of slavery and the total exclusion of intoxicating liquor in the Congo territory.

The late maharani of Surnomoye, India, left a legacy amounting to nearly $75,000 for the education of female physicians. The lieutenant-governor of Bengal has added his interest to this cause by endowing female medical scholarships in the University of Calcutta.

Mr. Stevenson, of Glasgow, who has interested himself so greatly in the improvement of central Africa, now offers to build a narrow-guage railway along the Shire river, where the cataracts extend for sixty miles.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs makes the startling statement that there is more crime and drunkenness among the 200,000 inhabitants of our capital city, Washington, than among the 250,000 untaught heathen Indians of our country.

Tawhiao, king of the Maories, upon his return to New Zealand after a visit to England, pledged himself at a public meeting, amid the hearty approbation of his people, to support gospel work.

A Young Men's Christian Association has been formed in Jaffna College, Ceylon, whose members send a petition to be received into the International Young Men's Christian Association, the first to enter the union from a heathen land.

Strange to say, China, that nation which of all others holds literature (that is to say, its own dry-as-dust classics concerning a remote past) in highest honor, has so small a thirst for news of the present day that it produces fewer papers than any other nation with the smallest claim to civilization. The proportion of newspapers to population is in the ratio of about one publication to 2,000,000 inhabitants. The Chinese empire produces only twenty-two periodicals, of which twelve are in Chinese, nine in English, and one in French. Even in this small number the circulation is extraordinarily small, and, as a rule, a newspaper may be said to be a thing unknown to the four hundred millions of inhabitants of the Celestial empire.—*Exchange.*

For the Young People.

THE LIMITED MISS DALTON.

BY EMMA L. BURNETT.

Part I.

"Now you'll be sure to come?" said Grace Morris, glancing back brightly, as she raised her parasol and passed out the gate.

"Oh yes, I will be there!" replied Laura Dalton, smiling a last "good-by."

She lingered on the piazza in the pleasant autumn sunshine, absently plucking a leaf or two from the gorgeously-tinted American ivy, as with a half-pleased, half-provoked expression she mused over the late interview, and watched her visitor disappearing down the tree-lined street. When the white parasol was lost in the dim distance she re-entered the house, saying with a little shrug,

"Well, I suppose I am in for it!"

The young ladies' mission band of Beechgrove had determined this fall to try and get every young lady in the church to join them; to this end each member was to call upon certain individuals and invite them to become members of the band. When they were arranging the matter Dollie Sinclair had said,

"Grace, you will have to call upon Miss Dalton yourself. She's kind of high-and-mighty, you know, and never has much to do with the rest of us. It will be eminently proper for the president to take her in hand."

"I shall be pleased to call," Grace answered, "and hope to persuade her to join us, for she is a very superior girl, and has many gifts that could be turned to good account in mission work."

"I'd like to see you 'turn' them, Mrs. President," said Dollie. "My word for it, you don't get her to do a single solitary thing. I don't suppose she'll even come to the meetings."

Dollie was wrong in this supposition, however, for after a very little demurring Laura consented to join the society and attend the meetings. "I know I ought to belong to something of the kind," she said, "and it will please mamma; but you must not expect me to take any part in your meetings. I can't do things of that kind."

"Things of what kind?" asked Grace.

"Oh, praying, exhorting and collecting money."

"As to the money, that collects itself," Grace replied—"at least the girls just bring or send it to the treasurer—and the rest isn't all praying and exhorting; there are other things to do. We make it a rule never to embarrass our members by urging anything on

them; but when you come you will probably find that there is something you can do without much inconvenience to yourself."

"Oh, of course! if there is anything at all in my line," said Laura, carelessly, thinking that ended the matter, for she did not suppose there could anything be in her line in connection with a missionary society.

The meetings were always held at Mrs. Meyrick's, because it was central and because she had two commodious parlors. There was plenty of room for a large meeting, and when only a few were present they shut the folding-doors and made themselves comfortable and cosy in one room. The evening of Laura's initiation there was quite a large attendance, and, as she thought, rather a "mixture." Two or three factory girls entered as she did. In the centre of the front parlor stood Judge Elmer's daughters, just home from a European trip, relating their experiences to an admiring group. Laura caught snatches about Paris, Switzerland, Isle of Wight, etc., and the responsive chorus of "Oh, how delightful!" "That must have been perfectly grand!" She happened to take a seat beside an almost breathless girl, whom she recognized as a clerk in Stoddart's trimming-store, who was saying to a companion,

"We were kept so late at the store this evening that I didn't take time to go home to supper; just got a couple of buns at the baker's, and then ran all the way here."

"Oh yes!" said her friend, "you are to make the opening prayer."

Grace, who had cordially welcomed Laura, introducing her to the young ladies of the house and others, presently came to her again and said, persuasively, "I am going to ask a little favor of you. Jennie Meyrick, who generally plays for us, is away from home. Julia Wynn, who is our next dependence, has not arrived —though she will be here—and it is time to begin. You see there is no piano, and none of the rest of us are much accustomed to the organ. I know you are. Won't you play the first hymn?"

"You really must excuse me," replied Laura, feeling that she was being imposed upon. "I told you I couldn't take any part in the meetings."

"But you know," said Grace, with a little laugh and a caressing touch on Laura's shoulder, "you said 'if there was anything in your line,' and I'm sure this is very much in your line. I know how beautifully you played the church organ at some of the rehearsals of the choral society last winter."

"That was different. I had practiced and was prepared."

"But this is just playing a simple tune for us girls. See, it is 'Webb' to 'Now be the gospel banner.'"

"I don't feel as though I could do it at all," said Laura.

"Well, it is hardly fair to ask you the very first time you are here," Grace admitted.

She pondered a moment and then went into the other room. When the meeting was called to order Laura was surprised to see at the organ a poor girl whom her aunt Harriet sometimes employed as a seamstress. Can *she* play! thought Laura. Then she remembered having once carried a message from her aunt to this Jane Hemphill's house, and had noticed a rickety melodeon in the little box of a parlor. Jane looked very much frightened, and played timorously. She several times omitted thirds, which made the chords sound rather thin, and sometimes dropped both tenor and alto. But the girls did not appear to mind; they all joined in heartily, and the vocal volume somewhat concealed instrumental defects. Laura felt rather ashamed of herself, and thought, "It was very ungracious in me to refuse. Even if I don't care anything for this mission work, it would have been nothing more than polite to play, and I would not have been half as much embarrassed as that poor girl."

Notwithstanding the uncomfortable feeling this incident occasioned her, Laura was greatly interested in the exercises, and did not regret her promise to attend the meetings.

A couple of months after this, as the girls were getting on their wraps to go home after a good meeting, Grace, who was talking animatedly with several others, suddenly turned and drew Laura into the group, saying,

"We are talking about the Randolphs. You know they have lately moved to Beechgrove and attend our church. There are three young ladies in the family, and we were just saying some one ought to call and invite them to the band. Now they live so near you—won't you undertake to do it?"

"Please don't ask me," said Laura, very earnestly; "I'm not acquainted with them, and am such a poor hand at calling upon strangers."

"But this is not like formal calling; it is just a pleasant little churchly attention, for which they ought to be grateful. It is just to tell them about the band, and ask them to join us."

"That makes it all the worse for me," Laura replied, "for I don't know enough about missionary affairs to explain anything to them. Some one who knows all the ins and outs of such matters should go."

"I don't believe you'll have to explain a single thing to them," said Jennie Meyrick. "Very likely they belonged to a band before they came here, and know more about missions than we do. They came from Jersey City, you know, and everybody in New Jersey belongs to missionary societies. No doubt they are just waiting for an invitation to come to the meetings."

"Yes," said Dollie Sinclair, "longing and pining to be one of us —or three of us rather—and shaking in their shoes for fear they won't be asked."

"Well," said Laura, joining in the general laugh, "some one else will have to put an end to their suspense, for calling upon them is something I can't do."

"I'll go, Grace, if you'll let me," said Martha Trueman, who was the youngest member. "I know Lucy Randolph; she comes to our school."

"Very well, then, we'll leave it to Martha," said Grace.

At the next meeting Martha proudly marched in, followed by all three of the strangers, and then what a time there was introducing and shaking hands! They were so glad to come, and everybody was so glad to have them come.

"So delighted to be in a mission band once more!" said one Miss Randolph.

"'Tis too nice for anything!" said another.

"So kind in Miss Trueman to invite us!" said the third.

And then it transpired that one of them had been secretary in their old Jersey City band, another had been organist, and all three were able and willing to do anything a "band" girl is ever called upon to do. Martha hovered round the group fairly glowing and sparkling, while Laura said to herself,

"Dear me! if I hadn't held back so foolishly I might have had the credit of bringing in these three great acquisitions. Well, if I'm again asked to do anything I must really try to do it."

Unfortunately the next requisition was of a devotional character —something she thought it would be impossible for her to do. The girls took it in turns, going alphabetically, to arrange the Bible lesson. They had just got through the list and were ready to begin over again. Grace explained this to Laura, and said,

"Now, as we have no A B C's, your name is the first on the roll. Will you select the reading for the next meeting? Of course, any one is at liberty to decline to do this, but I don't believe you will wish to decline"

"I don't wish to decline," said Laura, in real distress, "but I feel that I must. It is something I can't do at all. Why, I should not know how to begin to arrange a reading like the one Julia Wynn gave us."

"Oh, that was extremely elaborate. She has a genius for such things. None of the rest of us could do that way either, but it need not be anything like that. You might do as Dollie Sinclair did, just select some passage which we will read in concert."

"I'm afraid I should not make a proper selection. I am very sorry, but you will have to pass me by this time."

Grace of course did not press the matter, and Miss Louisa Elmer was requested to be prepared for the next meeting. Laura was really very much worried this time, and took herself sternly to task. "How stupid of me!" she thought. "It looks as though I never read my Bible and didn't know anything about it, and I wanted to do the next thing I was asked."

It must be said in her defence that she was naturally timid and distrustful of herself. It always cost her such an effort to come forward prominently in any way that she had to be very deeply interested in the matter before she could do so. Since she had been attending the meetings of the band, much of her indifference to missions had vanished, but as yet her growing interest in the work was only shown by increased contributions, for she had plenty of pocket money, and by intelligent attention to all that was going on: she had not reached the pitch of taking an active part in the proceedings.

(*To be continued.*)

SUGGESTIONS FOR STUDY.

SIAM AND LAOS.

THE COUNTRY.—Area, 190,000 square miles. From lower end of the Malay peninsula it extends 1350 miles to the north. Its rivers, chief of which is the Menam, by their annual overflow make the valleys productive. A land of fruit, flowers and birds. The dry season extends from November to May, followed by a wet season. Describe the Lion Rock at entrance of the port of Chantaboon. What range of mountains separates Siam from Burmah? Describe the Cambodian Ruins in eastern Siam. Bangkok, the capital, is "the Venice of the Orient." The Menam river, whose banks are lined with floating houses, is its Broadway; its streets are the canals which intersect the river.

THE PEOPLE.—Population is about nine millions. Nearly two millions are Chinese. Siam means "the brown race." Natives call themselves *Muang Thai*, "the kingdom of the free." They are "a gentle, passive, rather weak race, given to dissimulation, and very conceited; but they are reverential to the aged, especially to parents, are kind to their children, liberal in almsgiving, orderly and peaceable."

HISTORICAL DATES.—1350.—Founding of Ayuthia, the ancient capital, and beginning of authentic history.

1759–1767.—Struggle with the Burmese, who burned the capital and ravaged the country.

1767–1782.—Reign of Pin Tat, a Chinaman, under the title Phya-Jat.

1782.—Founding of Bangkok, the present capital.

1819.—Printing of a catechism, translated by Mrs. Ann Haseltine Judson, the first Christian book ever printed in Siamese.

1835.—The American Baptist mission to the Chinese in Siam founded by Rev. Dr. Dean.

1840.—Founding of the Presbyterian mission.

1851.—The father of the present king ascends the throne, under the name of Somdet Phra.

1855.—English treaty with Siam.

1868.—Coronation of the present king, Somdet Chowfa Chulalangkorn.

1878.—Proclamation of religious toleration.

1883.—By the completion of telegraph line from Bangkok to Saigon, Siam is put in communication with the rest of the world.

MANNERS AND CUSTOMS.—For interesting customs see "Siam and Laos," recently published by the Presbyterian Board, from which most of the facts in this article are taken.

EDUCATION.—The native schools of Siam are the wat-schools. A boy is taken to the temple, committed to the priest, who instructs him. The boy, in turn, waits on the priest. No provision is made for girls. See chapter on "The Schools of Siam" in the above volume for account of the founding of mission schools.

RELIGION AND SUPERSTITION.—Buddhism is the state religion. The Buddhist priests form one-thirtieth of the population. *Tam boon* or "merit-making" is after all the sum and substance of Siamese Buddhism. The words are on the lips of young and old, rich and poor, every hour of the day. See "Siam and Laos," p. 103.

MISSIONARY EFFORT.—See Historical Sketch, and the volume "Siam and Laos." For the most recent intelligence consult *Foreign Missionary* and *Woman's Work* for May.

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At Home.

MRS. JONATHAN WILSON.

OUR beloved Mrs. Wilson is dead! The announcement sends a thrill of mingled pain and tenderness to every heart that knew her. It is blessed to feel that she has "entered into rest"—that "sweet, sweet rest" for which she longed. All the heaven side of it is so bright, but the earth side is very sad. What will Mr. Wilson do when the terrible news reaches him? and what will the three dear children do now?

Mrs. Wilson went to Siam in 1866. In September, 1875, she wrote from Laos, "I have been in Chieng Mai for eight consecutive years. . . . Although I have seen in that time but one other white lady besides Mrs. McGilvary, I have been contented and thankful for the sustaining presence of Him who is with us always."

In March, 1877, she wrote, "I have met many since my return who discourage my going back. They surely do not realize what they are doing. They surely would not withhold the gospel from the heathen. Father, forgive this spirit. They know not what they do."

About nine years ago Mrs. Wilson came back to us from her "dear Laos," hoping to grow well enough to return to them. Her wish was not realized. Health never returned. Mr. Wilson went back to Chieng Mai alone. The heroism of this separation it is

difficult to realize and impossible to describe. By both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson it has been lovingly endured for Christ and His little ones among the Laos, in unconscious imitation of His exile from heaven for the sons of men, and its influence upon all who knew them has been and is inexpressibly tender and hallowed. "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto Me."

During this long separation, those who have been admitted to the intimacy of the family at Oxford and at Chieng Mai bear witness to the exquisite tenderness and strength of family affection, and to the constant realization of kinship with Jesus Christ.

Mrs. Wilson can no longer write letters to her husband; but who shall deny that now, instead of the written words, God may grant the spiritual presence? "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister to those who shall be heirs of salvation?" But this is mystery. We ponder and we wait until "God shall reveal even this unto us."

It is well for us, and this is enough, to learn from Mrs. Wilson's life its beautiful lesson of entire, unwavering and intensely-loving consecration to Christ and His work. It had its blessed compensations—she would say the "hundred-fold"—in this life, and in the world to come LIFE EVERLASTING. H. S. K.

CHICAGO, *March* 18, 1885.

ANSWER TO "QUESTION FOR BAND LEADERS."

I WOULD like to shake hands with those, whoever they may be, who are trying to rise above the questionable way of filling "the Lord's treasury." We have been trying a plan for nearly two years that has brought a number of nickels and some pennies into our treasury. In a little clean corner of our barns or wood-sheds we keep a large jar or keg with a heavy cover, and into one of those jars goes every little bone that is left from the table. Beside this hangs a coffee sack, and into it goes every scrap of waste paper or cuttings and rags. Sometimes we would not walk to the barn, so, to "gather up the fragments, that nothing be lost," we have a little sack or basket near our sewing-machine, and one in the kitchen for the same purpose. Then every paper is carefully folded (excepting religious and Sabbath-school papers, they go to the freedmen and to Indian Territory and Utah), and my servant is as careful of the bones, rags and papers as I am, and understands as well as I why I save them. We smile at each other when the treasurer informs us at our monthly meeting of an extra few cents in our envelopes, for we know that the rag man has been around. We could not put a missionary in the field with this income, but we remember what "many a little" makes. There are only six

of us in the band, so we have six rag-bags, six bone-jars and six stacks of papers, and in a year they amount to quite a little. Besides it teaches our daughters to be careful, orderly and cleanly. We organized in January, 1883. That year we had two fairs, many heartaches and no blessings; last year no fairs and very greatly blessed. This year we commence with increased pledges, more earnest prayer, but hope to have no fairs.

A VALUABLE BOOK.

Anson D. F. Randolph & Co. will publish immediately an exceedingly interesting volume entitled The Cross and the Dragon; or, Light in Broad East, by the Rev. B. C. Henry, for ten years a missionary in Canton, China. The book will make about 500 pages, and presents a comprehensive view of the southern portion of the great empire of China in relation to the work of missions. In the opening chapters, the natural features of the country, the distribution of its vast population and the facilities for reaching the people are clearly set forth. The life, customs and characteristics of the people, their three great systems of belief, Confucianism, Buddhism and Taoism, are treated in a popular way, with abundance of illustration and anecdote. The peculiarities of ancestral worship, and geomancy or earth divination, the popular objects of worship, the feasts, pastimes, and the rich folk lore of the people, are presented with a vividness due to familiarity with the daily life of the people. The history of mission work in the past, from the days of Morrison to the close of the last decade, is concisely given and illustrated by brief sketches of many of the heroes of the earlier days. The present status of the work in its general scope, its practical organization, its numerous and varied agencies, and the wide field brought under immediate influence, is laid before the reader, showing a present activity and giving promise of constant expansion in the future most cheering to every true friend of the cause.

Following this general summary are several chapters devoted to special departments of work. The chapter on medical missions is commended to all interested in that special department of work as showing the grand results that have been accomplished through the agency of such men as Dr. Kerr and others. The work for women is presented as one of the most promising features of the great enterprise there, comprising as it does the various departments of school and hospital work, house visitation and journeys through the country. The account of the work for orphans and outcasts will touch a chord of sympathy in every Christian heart, and arouse interest in the work of saving some of the thousands of hapless infant girls doomed to the blackest fate.

Personal sketches of preachers, colporteurs and Bible women are given, showing their style of preaching, manner of work and general efficiency, and are of special interest as showing what the church of the future will be. The progress of the work in the number of converts, their character, their trials and tests of faith, is vividly shown.

The outlook for the future is vividly sketched, the room for almost limitless expansion in every department of work strikingly shown, and the need of a greatly-increased force of teachers, preachers, translators and general workers urgently pressed.

The pressing need of meeting the constantly-increasing demand for higher education is clearly shown in the chapters on Higher Education and a Christian College for Canton.

The book is not confined to the missions of one church, but treats of the enterprise as a whole, setting forth impartially the work done by the eight societies represented.

It is well illustrated by some twenty cuts, most of them pen-and-ink sketches by a Chinese artist, which, besides being characteristic, have a quaintness and piquancy which render them a charming addition to the letter-press. A general map, showing the stations of the various societies engaged, with two smaller ones of the city of Canton and the island of Hainan, add much to the value of the book. In his introduction to the book, Mr. Joseph Cook says: "The puzzle of the Chinese mind, character, politics, social life and religion, I for one have found no key to unlock except the conversation and writings of missionaries who have studied these subjects for years at first hand. I congratulate the reader of this volume on the opportunity it gives him of absorbing ripe opinions on high matters concerning which ordinary books of travel are poor authority. . . . The dawn of Occidental forms of civilization, the day-star of Christianity, begins to rise on these uncounted masses of human beings in their land of vast and varied resources. This book is a vivid picture of the holy breaking of the light after an Oriental night."

We urge the reading of this book in hope that the enthusiasm of the author may be communicated to his readers, and the Christian Church be inspired to greater efforts for the Christianization, education and civilization of China.

IT WAS A RED-LETTER DAY.

So said our president, whose heart was filled with thankfulness at its close. For several years the ladies of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Syracuse, N. Y., have given an annual supper for the purpose of raising missionary money. This year, in a full meeting it was voted to furnish no such supper, but in its place to hold a praise meeting. Invitations to this meeting were written and sent to a large number of Christian women, members of the church, many of whom are not interested in mission work, and never attend the regular meetings. Each invitation enclosed a small blank envelope for a thank-offering. The praise meeting was held in the church parlors, March 4, at 3.30 o'clock. Near the door was the treasurer's table, upon which, on entering, the small envelopes, without name or amount, were dropped. Eighty-one ladies attended. Praise was the key-note of the meeting. Many passages of Scripture were repeated; prayer, reading, singing, a short paper on giving, and a heart-to-heart talk by Mrs. Montgomery of Turkey, filled up the hour. At its close a little time was spent socially: all were invited to remain to tea and to the evening meeting, which was held in the chapel, the pastor, Rev. Norman Seaver, presiding.

Results:—Greatly-increased interest in missions; more than double the money; God honored.

We call attention to the lists of helps for auxiliaries and bands in the Home Department of each society. Please notice particularly the address given with each list, and thus avoid confusion and delay in having orders filled. We would also especially request that *all orders for leaflets marked* FREE *be accompanied by stamps for postage.*

W. F. M. S. of the Presbyterian Church.

1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

SUBJECT FOR PRAYER-MEETING.

Assembly Room, May 19, 1885, 12 M.

Siam and Laos.—*Text:* "The ears of the deaf shall be unstopped."

Theme for Scripture Reading: "Yield yourselves unto God." Rom. xii. 1; xiv. 7, 8.

THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY.

The Fifteenth Annual Assembly of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will be held in the Central Presbyterian Church, Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Md., on April 29 and 30, 1885. Each delegate should be provided with a note of introduction from the president of the society she represents. Others wishing to attend the meetings will be cordially welcomed, and will be given the addresses of good boarding-houses on applying to Mrs. C. E. Waters, 502 Madison Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

The meetings promise to be of more than usual interest. A number of our lady missionaries are expecting to be with us at that time.

The popular meeting, Wednesday evening, will be addressed by Rev. Dr. Arthur Mitchell of New York and Rev. R. C. Henry of Canton, China.

One of the main features of the Thursday morning meeting will be the answering of questions found in the question box, which will be placed near the table for publications on Wednesday. Let any one who desires information on any part of our work put her thought into the form of a question and drop it into the box, or

send it by a friend, at any time during the first day, that it may be properly answered the next morning.

We wish to remind our readers that, however full of interest these meetings may be, they can only bring a blessing upon our work as the Holy Spirit is present in them, guiding and directing all that is said and done. Will not our friends especially remember these meetings at the throne of grace?

NO MORE MONEY NEEDED FOR THE CHIENG MAI HOSPITAL.

SOME time ago a notice to this effect appeared in our pages, but some misunderstanding seems still to exist in regard to the matter. We now repeat that *the full amount required for the hospital has been raised.* Hereafter funds sent for this purpose will be applied to our other building funds.

MITE-BOXES.

THE draft on our mite-boxes has been so great lately that we find it necessary to give a word of caution in regard to them. The original intention was to supply them *to bands only*, and we have frequently given notice that the postage should be sent when the boxes were ordered, at the rate of two cents for five boxes. Later we gave notice that when grown people's societies desired them we would charge a cent apiece. Notwithstanding these notices, which are frequently reiterated, we are constantly receiving orders by postal card, either saying nothing about the postage or asking that a bill be sent, and not stating whether the boxes are for an auxiliary or a band. The postage and time involved in sending bills for such small amounts may seem a trifle to each individual sending for boxes, but in the aggregate it amounts to a good deal to the society, and can easily be saved if the senders will take the trouble to refer to the terms published quarterly in *Woman's Work* in "Helps for Workers." Please remember that the boxes are only for collecting money for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, not for general church use, and order only as many as you expect to use. We want every band to have enough, but do not wish to have them wasted. Hereafter orders unaccompanied by the postage will not be filled.

THE Annual Meeting of the women's societies auxiliary to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church will be held, in connection with the General Assembly, in the Second Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, on Thursday, May 28, beginning at 9.30 A.M.

THE Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will be held in the Assembly Room, 1334 Chestnut Street, Tuesday, May 5, 1885, at 11 A.M. M. B. SMITH, *Recording Secretary.*

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Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, from March 1, 1885.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ATHENS.—Marietta, 4th St. Ch. Aux., 54 25, S. S., 37, work Oroomiah. 91 25

BALTIMORE. — Baltimore, Aisquith St. Aux., zenana work, Etawah, 100, Band, 30; Boundary Ave. Aux., 131 15, India Bd., sch'p Dehra, 40, for miss'y Lahore, 25; Broadway Aux., 30, S. S. dime off., 1 15; Brown Memorial Aux., miss'y Rawal Pindi, 400, Mrs. E. P. S. Jones Bd., two sch'ps and tea. Sidon, 135, two families, sch'p Dehra, 40, Lidie Waters, sch'p Kolhapur, 30, S. S., for schs. Lahore, 107 97, Casket of Jewels, 25, Infant Sch. and Handful of Corn Bd., dime off., 7 40; Central Aux., for miss'y Lahore, 150, Africa ship, 25, S. S., schs. Lahore, 150, Dugdale Bd., Yokohama bld'g, 40, Seek and Save Bd., same, 50; Faith Chapel Boys' Bd., Africa ship, 6 50; 1st Ch., Mrs. W. W. Spence, for miss'y Lahore, 50, Miss Belle Morris, for Syria, 10; 2d Ch. Aux., Lodiana bld'g, 60, Earnest Workers, same, 16; 12th Ch. Aux., schs. Lahore, 45 50, Mrs. Wylie's B. C., for miss'y Lahore, 50, Africa ship, 5, Band, sch'p Saharanpur, 30, Africa ship, 20; Lafayette Sq. Aux., 84: S. S., 22, Children's Bd., 25 18, Earnest Workers, 4 35, all Yokohama bld'g; Light St. Aux., Yokohama bld'g, 21 37; Westminster Aux., 68, Y. L. B., 13; Bel Air Aux., Oroomiah hosp., 25; Chestnut Grove Aux., 60; Churchville Aux., Yokohama bld'g, 50; Cumberland Aux., 44 75; Deer Creek Harmony Aux., Lodiana bld'g, 14; Frederick Aux., Yokohama bld'g, 30 50; Govane Chapel Aux., 15 74; Hamden Aux., 15; Havre de Grace Aux., 22 25; Lonaconing Aux., 5; Piney Creek Aux., Lodiana bld'g, 33 60; Williamsport, Little Workers, same, 12. 2378 44

BLAIRSVILLE.—Beulah Aux., miss'y Japan, 57, Yokohama bld'g, 6 50, Bd., miss'y, 10, Chieng Mai, 25 cts.; Blairsville Aux., 9 78, Mrs. P. P. Shepley, L. M., 25, Children's Bd. (Chieng Mai, 50 cts., dime off., 3 33), 5 54; Braddock Aux., 5; Conemaugh Aux., 70; Congruity Aux., 9; Cross Roads, 6; Derry Band of Hope, 24; Ebensburg, sch'p Sidon, 50; Greensburg, Foster Bd., sch'p Ningpo, 40; Harrison City Aux., 11; Irwin Aux., miss'y, 39 48; Johnstown Aux., same, 25, Miss S. J. Duncan, for B. R. Hangchow, 36; Latrobe Aux., 94 04, Wayside Gatherers (boys), 21 19; Band of Hope, 34 84; Ligonier Aux., 25; Murrysville Aux., B. R. Siam, 54, advance, 9 25; New Alexandria Aux., thank-off. for bld'g Zacatecas, 40; New Salem Aux., sch'p Ningpo, 40; New Salem Branch of Congruity, 15 93; Parnassus S. S., sch'p Tungchow, 50; Unity Aux., 18 50, Children's Bd., jug breaking, 16. 848 30

BUTLER.—Amity Aux., 28 72

CARLISLE.—Chambersburg, Falling Spring Ch. Bd., for Korea, 20 00

CATAWBA.—Concord, Little Ants, for Benita, 2 00

CHESTER.—Avondale Aux., 101 30, S. S., 6 15, Infant Class, 6 31; Bryn

Mawr Aux., zenana work, 50; Chester, 2d, Aux., 30 01; Christiana Aux., 13; Darby Aux., 23 48; Downingtown Aux., 44 22, Golden Links, 36 45, Little Agnes Bd., 4 50; Fagg's Manor Aux., 40; Forks of Brandywine Aux., 69; Honey Brook, Pansy Bd.. 3 75; Kennett Square Aux., 22; Lincoln Ch., Willing Helpers, Africa ship, 5; Marple Aux., 22 75; Media Aux., Africa ship, 30; Oxford Aux., 55, dime off., 3; Oxford, 2d, Aux., work Liberia, 2; Tonghkenamon Aux., 19; Wayne Aux., tr.-sch. Japan, 21 58, med. fund, 14, Y. P. B., 21 50; West Chester Aux., 226. 867 30

Chillicothe.—Chillicothe, 1st, Aux., for miss'y, 20, tr.-sch. Japan, 16 35; Chillicothe, 3d, 11 20; Concord, 4 50; Frankfort, 15; Greenland Ch., Ladies, 3 20; Greenfield Aux., miss'y, 31 77, tr.-sch. Japan, 8 31, Snowflakes, Japan, 5 87; Hamden Aux., 11; Hillsboro' Aux., 44, Sycamore Valley Br., 5; Marshall, 4 99; Mt. Pleasant, 10; North Fork, 11 85; Pisgah, 25; Washington C. H. Aux., 13 98, Y. L. B., 13 37, Helping Hands, 9 26, for miss'y Bogota and Africa ship. 264 65

Clarion.—Beechwood Ch., Pancoast Aux., 6; Brookville Aux., for sch. Abeih, 100, med. fund, 20, miss'y, 5, Y. L. B., sch. Canton, 75, Happy Children, med. fund, 20; Clarion, Y. L. B., 40, Shining Lights, Lodiana bld'g, 20; Elkton, Dagus Mines S. S., Africa ship, 30; Edenburg Aux., 12; Callensburg, 7; Greenville, 23; Leatherwood Aux., 9; Mt. Pleasant, work Chefoo, 5; New Bethlehem Aux. (miss'y, 25), 34 75, Bd., for Africa ship, 8 23, S. S., for Yokohama bld'g, 23 69; Oil City, 2d, Aux., 20 80; Perry Aux., Africa, 15; Perryville, 4; Pisgah Aux., B. R. Chefoo, 55; Tionesta Aux., 18 65; West Millville Aux., 12 80. 564 92

Cleveland.— Cleveland, 1st, Fidelia Fisk Bd., sch'p Syria, 50, miss'y, 25; Cleveland, 2d, Aux., miss'y, 158, Handy Bd., sch'p Sidon, 50, S. S., sch'p Bancho, 50, Sao Paulo, 100, Primary Department, sch'p Mynpurie, 30; Parma Aux. and Gleaners, miss'y 15 50. 478 50

Erie.—Cochranton Aux., 15 12; Cool Spring, 14 55; Corry Aux., sch'p Wewoka, 24 68; Frauklin Aux., child's paper Shanghai, 50, thank-off., Yokokama bld'g, 90 53, Cheerful Givers, Africa ship, 15 40, Lily Band, same, 11 25, Franklin Bd., same, 1 50, Jewels and S. S. (Chinese tea. Oakland, Cal., 56 21), 66 96; Fredonia Aux., 16 56, Children's Bd., 2; Girard Aux., 7 85; Harbor Creek Aux., 4 85; Mercer, 2d, Aux., 10 67, S. S., dime off., 4; North East Aux. (sch'p Benita, 15), 19 88; Oil City, 1st, Aux., tea. Syria, 99 91, sch'p Futtehgurh, 30, gen. fund, 50; Springfield S. S., 2, Susie Cross Bd., 60 cts., dime off.; Tidioute Aux., 68 19; Titusville Aux. (miss'y Yokohama, 600), 738 68, S. S., dime off., 12; Warren Aux. (sch'p Sidon, 50), 117 28, S. S., dime off., 18 40; Waterford Aux., 32 50. 1514 61

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Philadelphia North. — Chestnut Hill S. S., Africa ship, 25; Providence Ch., Pastor's Aid Soc., 41 51. 66 51

Pittsburgh and Allegheny Com.— Allegheuy, 1st, Aux. (miss'y Kolhapur, 95), 129 28, S. S., dime off., 26 60; Allegheny, 2d, Aux., Petchaburi, 60 56; Allegheny, Central, Aux. (Petchaburi, 100), 144 75; Allegheny, North, Aux., miss'y India, 197 24, Hodge Bd., same, 100, Louise Bd., 70; Allegheny, McClure Ave., S. S., 19 04; Beaver S. S., Chieng Mai, 25 75; Bellevue Aux., sch'p Oroomiah, 20; Bethany S. S., dime off., 39 10; Bethel Aux., 117 50, S. S., dime off., 26; Canonsburg Aux., 25, Mayflower Bd., Lodiana bld'g, 13 27; Emsworth, Little Branches, 18; Freedom Aux., 9 30, S. S., dime off., 5; Hiland Aux., Petchaburi, 100; Hoboken, Montrose class, dime off., 1; Industry Aux., 5 65; Leetsdale Aux., 47 15; Mansfield Aux., 100, Silver Link Bd., 23; Millvale Aux., 33 60, S. S., dime off., 10 40, Elongo Clemens Bd., sch'p Dehra, 30; Mt. Washington Aux., 36 75; Monongahela City Aux. (sch'ps Canton, 30), 47 65; Mt. Pisgah Aux. (Chenanfon, 20), 27, Willing Workers, 13; Oakdale Aux., 22 45, Bd., 11 45; Pittsburgh, 3d, Aux., miss'y Japan, 440 48; 4th Ch. Aux., 15 23; 6th Ch. Aux., miss'y Africa, 200; Pittsburgh, East Liberty Aux., miss'y Kolhapur, 43, S. S., dime off., 35, Miss Castner's class, schs. Canton, 10; Pittsburgh, 43d St., Aux., 60; Pittsburgh, Shady Side Aux., miss'y Canton, 228 90, Busy Bees, sch'p Dehra, 40; Providence Aux., 25; Raccoon Aux., Petchaburi, 105 15; Rochester S. S., dime off., 5; Sharon Aux., 21 04; Sharpsburg Aux., sch. Canton, 87 60, Bd., orphans Canton, 31 17; Springdale, Johnny Potter Bd., sch'p Saharanpur, 25 43; Wilkinsburg Aux.,

sch. Mexico, 59, Clara Davison's mite-box, 2 44; Young Ladies' Branch, hal. for Chieng Mai hosp., 89 01. 3178 94

PORTSMOUTH. — Eckmansville Aux., 10; Georgetown Aux., 10 45; Portsmouth, 1st, Aux., Sidon bld'g, 26 29, Y. L. B., Africa ship, 10; Portsmouth, 2d, Busy Bees, Gaboon, 26, Chieng Mai, 20; Ripley Aux., 20; West Union Aux., 10. 132 74

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UNION.—Caledonia Aux., 3 19; Hebron Aux., 22 55; Hopewell Aux., 3 62; Knoxville Aux., 126 44, Cup Bearers, Christmas off., 4 55; New Market Aux., 40; Spring Place Aux., 23 35; Washington Aux., 5; Westminster Aux., 10—all for miss'y Korea. 238 70

WASHINGTON CITY.—Falls Ch. Aux., 5; Hyattsville Aux., 35 54; Washington, 1st, Aux., 27 50; Metropolitan Aux., 15; New York Ave. Aux., 315; North Ch. Aux., 16 55; Western Aux., 18 50; West St. Aux., 15 (448 09), for miss'y India and gen. fund; Assembly Ch. Aux., Sidon bld'g, 38 12; Mateer Bd., Mexico and sch'p Tungchow, 20. 506 21

WELLSBORO'.—Beecher's Island, Catrine Bd., 14; Coudersport Aux., 7 34; Elkland Aux., 5 47; Mansfield Aux., 13 60, Miss F. Dyer, 2 50; Osceola Aux., 5 10; Tioga Aux., 7 27; Wellsboro' Aux., 17 67, for sch. Syria. 72 95

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WOOSTER.—Ashland Aux., 43, Y. L. Soc., 22, Children's Bd., China, 10 26; Bellville Aux., 4 50, Willing Workers, 10; Bethel Aux., 2 10; Canal Fulton Aux., 3 10; Congress Aux., sch'p Kolhapur, 30; Doylestown Aux., 8 25; Fredericksburg Aux., 23 50; Hayesville Aux., 25, Y. P. B., 40; Hopewell Aux., 19; Jackson Aux., 24 50; Lexington Aux., 23 25; Mansfield Aux., 56; Millersburg Aux., 18 84; Orange Aux., 10 60; Orrville Aux., 15 92; Perrysville Aux., 10, Golden Links, 3 75; Savannah Aux., 18, Y. L. S. (Shanghai sch., 15), 20, Pearl Seekers, 15; Shreve Aux., 10, Bd., 11; Wayne Aux., 14; West Salem Aux., 9 11; Wooster, 1st, Aux., 80, Y. L. Soc. (med. fund, 30), 60, Diamond Stars, 3 13; Wooster, Westminster Aux., 124 32, Y. L. Soc. (Yokohama bld'g, 1), 35, Boys' Bd., sch'p Lodiana, 30, Coan Bd., 6 73. 839 86

MISCELLANEOUS.—Alexandria, Pa., Mrs. J. E. Bellman, 10; Bouquet, Pa., Miss Mattie Drennen, sale of miss'y lamb, tr.-sch. Japan, 5; Coultersville, Pa., Mrs. Mary Porter, for Korea, 5; Creseent City, Fla., ladies, 3 65; East Syracuse, N. Y., Mrs. E. S. Walker, 1; Greenwood, Dak., Mrs. J. P. Williamson, 10; Lexington, O., Mrs. C. F. Abernethy, in mem. five children, 5; Mechanicsburg, M. E. S., Yokohama bld'g, 25; Philadelphia, K., thank-off., Yokohama bld'g, 50, family mite-box, 6 08; Two Friends, Yokohama bld'g, 12; Eugenes, 3; Dime off., 10 cts.; Steubenville, O., Miss M. Campbell, med. fund, 2, tr.-sch. Japan, 1; Uniontown, Md., Miss S. D. Ferguson and sister, 2; West Chester, Pa., a friend, 1; Cash, 1 80; C. B. V., 20; Sale of Historical Sketches, question books and leaflets, 152 18. 355 81

Total for March, 1885,	$21,980 15
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PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE.

TO BE READ AT THE MONTHLY MEETING IN MAY.

Psalm ciii. *Golden Text for the Month.*—"Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him" (John xiv. 23).

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Constitution and Hints for Organization,	free.
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[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ALTON.—Alton, 5 25; Y. L. S., 12 97; Bethel, Laos sch'p, 6 25; Carlinville, 28 70; Monterey sch'p, 25; Carlyle, 4 80; Thank-off., Hillsboro', 36; Nokomis, Willing Workers, 20 03; Steeleville, 3; Waveland, 6. 148 00

BELLEFONTAINE.—Bellefontaine, 37 40; S. S. B., 28 50; Buck Creek, 20; Bucyrus, 70 32; Crestline, 27 77; S. S. B., 10 08; Forest, 10 67; Kenton, 25; Upper Sandusky, 17 50; Urbana, 50. 297 24

BLOOMINGTON.—Buckley, sal. Mrs. Estheridge, 28 50; Lexington, 25 70; S. S., 9 40; Onarga, 25; Piper City, 35 09; Pontiac, Oroomiah sch'p, 31; Rossville, Bangkok sch'p, 32 50. 187 19

CAIRO.—Carbondale, 25; Carmi, 27 60; Thank-off., 15 50; Band, 10; Tamaroa, 10. 88 10

CHICAGO.—Bloom, 13 86; Chicago, 1st, 112; 2d, Tabriz sch., 24 43; Chefoo, 40; to prevent retrenchment, 250 40; Y. L. S., sal. Mrs. Coopwood, 100; 3d, sal. Miss Olmstead, 100; sal. Mrs. Kelso, 200; Seed Sowers, Lodiana sch'p, 5; 4th, Y. L., 22 25; Mother's Mite Soc., 2 19; 5th, Rosebud Band, 6 30; 6th, Band, 24 57, sal. Miss Downs, 49, Persian hosp., 10 (83 57); 8th, 103 53; Fullerton Ave., 12; Pekin student, 30; Rio Claro sch'p, 60; Christmas offering, 5; Jefferson Park, sal. Miss Downs, 132; Englewood,

* Mrs. Coan donates as many copies of her book to the Board as we can sell, giving the entire amount thus received to the treasury.

119 07; Evanston, 107; Pr. off., 93; Highland Park, 80; Y. P., 50; Do What We Can Band, 10; Hyde Park, sal. Mrs. Peoples, 122; Kankakee, 28; S. S., 31 77; Lake Forest, 128 50; Pr. off., 49 50; Y. P. S., 21 26; Ferry Hall S., 39 20; Steady Streams, 39 78; Mme. W. H. Ferry, sal. Mrs. Houston, 400; Manteno, 12; Pr. off., 11; Oak Park S. S., Monterey sch'p, 7 50; Peotone, 17 25; Pr. off., 42; Waukegan, Pr. off., 60 60; Syrian sch., 45; Y. L. S., 23; Wilmington, 22 76; Bd., 14 05; Christmas off., 15. 2891 77

CHIPPEWA.—Baldwin, Christian S. M. S., 26 67; Wm. DeMeester's children, 75 cts.; Miss Nellie Wubbels, 35 cts.; Lawrence S. Hoffman (died nearly three years ago), 1 35; Miss Lucia M. Hoffman, 88 cts.; Galesville, 13 60. 43 60

DENVER.—Denver, 13th Ave. Pr. off., Persian sch., 10, Japan bld'g, 10 (20); Capitol Ave., 23 60, thank-off., 26 40, Petchaburi sch. (50); Westminster Ch., 7 20, thank-off., 13 80 (21); Central Ch., 15; North Denver, Highland Ch., 15. 121 00

DETROIT. — Birmingham, Oroomiah sch'p, 30; Brownell Band, 20; Ready Helpers, 20; outfit Miss N., 2; Dearborn, 3; Detroit, 1st, sal. Mrs. Lucas, 197 21; Hastings Band, 12; Jefferson Ave. Ch., Syrian teacher, 150, Gaboon schooner, 50, Petchaburi schs., 100 (300); Memorial Ch., 40, outfit, 10 (50); Union Mission S. S., Gaboon schooner, 50; Westminster Ch., 17, Laos, 25, outfit, 50, Mexico sch., 50 (142); Milford, same, 66 05, Laos, 25 (91 05); Northville, 2 30, outfit, 3 95, Oroomiah sch'p, 28 (34 25); Pontiac, 35; South Lyon, 11 25; Ypsilanti, sal. Miss Dean, 113, outfit, 4 50 (117 50); Y. P. S., sal. Miss Dean, 75. 1190 26

DUBUQUE.—Pine Creek S. S., 3 70

FORT WAYNE.—Bluffton, 16; Elkhart, 24; S. S. B., Monterey sch'p, 21; Fort Wayne, 1st, sal. Mrs. Farnham, 380; 2d, 10, Japan sch. bld'g, 27 40 (37 40); 3d, sal. Mrs. Farnham, 20; Girls' Miss. Bd., Laos, 25; Goshen Shanghai sch., 10, Persia sch., 3, Laos, 12 (25); Huntington, 17 41; Kendallville, 14; Lima, 18 60; Pierceton, 4 60; Band, 6 76; Warsaw, 16 50; Go Forward, 26. 652 27

FREEPORT.—Cedarville, 7 90; Freeport, 1st, 75; 2d, 17; Galena, 1st, 13, Y. L. C., 30, Gaboon schooner, 5 (35); Hanover, 12; H. M. Harvard, 5 60; S. S., 4 40; Rockford, Westminster Ch., Mexico, 5 50; Persia, 6 14; 1st, 75; Warren, 19; S. S. M. S., 12; Christmas off., 3 39; Winnebago, Band, 7 65; Willow Creek, 60 58. 359 16

GRAND RAPIDS. — Cadillac, 5 92; Evart, 8; Grand Rapids, 1st, Bangkok sch'p, 15; Ionia, 25; Mackinaw City, 2; Montague, 6 92; Muir, 3. 65 84

HASTINGS.—Edgar, 2 15; Busy Bees, 1 15; Elkton, 5 75; Hastings, Cheerful Workers, Chefoo sch'p, 25. 34 05

HURON. — Bloomville, 32; Earnest Workers, 16 28; Clyde, 5; Fostoria, Doolittle Bd., Laos, 25; Fremont, 20: Do Something Band, 31; Norwalk, 25; Oberlin, Mrs. W. H. Bird, 5; Peru, 12 25; Sandusky, 6 03; Y. L. S., 12; Tiffin, 1st, S. S., Lodiana sch'p, 30. 219 56

INDIANAPOLIS.—Indianapolis, 4th, 25 00

IOWA.—Mt. Pleasant, 1st, 25 65; Highland Branch, 25; Fort Madison, 10; Troy, 6. 66 65

KALAMAZOO. — Kalamazoo, North Ch., 10 00

KEARNEY, 2 92

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LANSING.—Battle Creek, 25; Tekonsba, 9 50. 34 50

LIMA.—Ada, 30; Findlay, 28; Houston, 2—all sal. Mrs. Leyenberger; Delphos, Girls' Bd., 5; Hardin, Petchaburi sch'p, 10; Lima, Syrian sch., 33; Y. P. and Infant Bd., Tokio sch'p, 50. 158 00

MADISON.— Madison, Pr. off., 37; Persian schs., 16; Loving Workers, 5; Mineral Point, 3; Portage, 6. 67 00

MANKATO. — Amboy, 3 75; Blue Earth City, 23 53; S. S., 6 47; Kasota, 5 50; Le Sueur, 18; Mankato, 76 75; Pilot Grove, 20; St. Peter, 8 03; Y. L. S., 8 50; Winnebago City, 17 40; Y. L., 14 87. 202 80

MATTOON.—Kansas, 22; tbank-off., 4; Pana, Willing Workers, Tripoli sch'p, 22; Prairie Home, 25; Neoga, 10—both sal. Mrs. Alexander—G. F., 20, sal. Miss Calhoun, 25 (55); Taylorville, same, 10 80. 138 80

MAUMEE.—Delta, 7 88

MILWAUKEE.—Lima, Allahabad sch., 20; Manitowoc, 7; Milwaukee, Calvary, 37 50; Ottawa, 2 25; Racine, Y. L.,

22 25; Stone Bank, 2 50; Waukesha, 34. 125 50

MONTANA.—Bozeman, 10 50; S. S., Gaboon schooner, 9 30; Miles City, education in China, 20; Helena, 68 76. 108 56

OMAHA.—Bellevue, S. S., 2 85

OTTAWA.—Aux Sahle Grove, 11 60; Mendota, 54 07; Paw Paw, 13 10; Sandwich, 22 65. 101 42

RED RIVER.—Hallock, 3 44

SAGINAW.—Caro, 3; Cass City, S. S., 7; Bay City, Oroomiah sch., 37; West Bay City, 25; Flint, Syria sch., 25; Lapeer, 13 65; St. Louis, sal. Mrs. Hayes, 5; Saginaw, 93; Golden Rule Bd., Rio Claro sch'p, 60; East Saginaw, 12; Vassar, 24 25. 304 90

ST. PAUL.—Duluth, 12 30; Hastings, 21 50; Volunteer Bd., Gaboon, 25; Sowers of Good Seed, 12 50; S. S., 4 50; Minneapolis, Bethlehem Ch., 5; Bloomington Ave. Ch., 5; Andrew Ch., 35 79; Thank-off., 22 48; S. F., sch'p, 12; S. S., 19 35; Gaboon sch'p, 20; Westminster Ch., 70 52; Pearl Gatherers, Laos, 5; Y. L. B., Brazil sch'p, 30; 1st, 39 15; Merry Gleaners, 50; 5th, 6; St. Cloud, 17 30; Bd., 45; S. S., Laos, 25; Red Wing, 33; St. Paul, Dayton Ave. Ch., 50; House of Hope Ch., 33 45; Y. L. B., 20 60; Central Ch., 44 15; Y. L. B., 92 28; S. S., 50; Stillwater, Laos, 20 16; Taylor's Falls, 8 60; Red Lake Falls, Rev. De Bruyn Kop's children, 50 cts. 836 13

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VINCENNES.—Terre Haute, Moffatt St. Ch., Monterey, 6 50

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WHITEWATER. — Cambridge City, 8 56; College Corner, 2; Connersville, 6 71; Greensburg, 125 75; Kingston, 36 36; Knightstown, 5; Liberty, 3; Mt. Carmel, 2 15; Rushville, 19 52; S. S., 2 46; Primary Bd., 37 cts.; Sardinia, 16 50; Shelbyville, 12 50—all sal. Miss Garvin; Greensburg, Y. P. S., Benga pub., 9; S. S., Gaboon schooner, 50; Christmas off., 10 80; Knightstown, Miss Hesser's sch., 20; Richmond, Syrian sch., 80; Shelbyville, S. S., Christmas off., 8; Golden Rule Circle, Gahoon schooner, 7. 425 68

WINNEBAGO. — Appleton, Monterey sch'p, 25; Auburndale, 8 62; Fond du Lac, sal. Miss Dougherty, 26 50; Fort Howard, 7; Steven's Point, 24 20. 91 32

WINONA.—Albert Lea, 25; S. S. B., Earnest Workers, 46; Chatfield, 14 47; Bd., 10 82; Lake City, 7 50; Owatonna, S. S., 2; Rochester, 25. 130 79

MISCELLANEOUS.—Moline, C. S. Eells and Georgie Eells Coon, 2 55; Marion, O., Mrs. Lavinia H. Cummin, Mexican paper, 50; Several friends, a memorial off., 28 58; A friend, to help make up that which is lacking, 10; Societies, for pub. of letter and Annual Report—Chicago Pres., 2, Springfield Pres., 12, Fort Wayne Pres., 20 cts., Schuyler Pres., 1, Huron Pres., 1, Misc., 1 20 (17 40); By sale of leaflets, 42 91. 151 44

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